

## **Ruth Anna Taylor**

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Ruth Taylor was born in 1956 in Manila in the Philippine Islands where her father, a career Army Officer was stationed. She was the daughter of Daniel Russell Taylor and Effie Mae Winslow. She married David Lloyd Flanagan in 1956.

Her father's mother died when he was two years old and his father when he was nine. He grew up in Bethel, Edgecombe County, NC. He attended a military school, The Webb School in Belt Buckle, TN and the United States Military Academy in New York. He served with General Patton as a supply officer in Europe for approximately four years during WW II. Ruth's father and his family including Ruth lived on Elm Street in Greenville, NC when he retired.

Ruth's mother attended school in Greenville, NC and graduated from Earlham College. Dan and Effie Mae met at Lake Junaluska, NC where Ruth's grandfather had purchased a house in 1915. She and her family spent summers at the lake.

Ruth went to Boston University for a couple of years and graduated with a B.S. from East Carolina. She got a master's at NCSU in education. Her older two children were sons – one an airline pilot for Northwest and the other a contractor as David was. Her older daughter married a career Coast Guardsman and her younger daughter lives in Austin, Texas. In addition to the four children, Ruth and David have eight grandchildren.

Ruth's mother's folks were Quakers. Her oldest daughter is interested in the family's genealogy which is interesting as just noted but she has her hands full so far with four children, two being teenagers.